

NACC NEWSLETTER

April 2012

NACC Updates

Editorial

Since our registration as a national association on 9 May 2011, the National Association of Christian Counsellors Malaysia is now one year old. We held our first Annual General Meeting on 31 March 2012 and officially elected the present Board members.

There are only two changes to the Board. Janice Tan replaced Cheang Meng Wai as the Vice-President and Rev Nancy Quay was co-opted as a new Board member. Nancy is a qualified counsellor who runs the Elijah House Prayer Ministry School in Malaysia.

We continue to hold our bimonthly Saturday morning workshops as part of our efforts to promote and unify the practice of Christian Counselling in Malaysia as well as equip the body of Christ in this field of ministry.

Todate, the Board has adopted the NACC Mission Statement to give direction to what we do (see following page). At the same time, we have also completed the NACC Code of Ethics. As the latter document is more than 30 pages long, its full version is presented in the NACC website. All NACC members are expected to abide by this code of ethics.

Meanwhile, the NACC website has been given a new facelift. We hope that all our members will visit the site regularly to keep informed of our latest developments.



Dr Goh Chee Leong teaching in one of NACC's bimonthly Saturday morning workshops

Finally, we are targeting to print our first official annual publication, the NACC Christian Counselling Forum, by July 2012. It carries original articles written by foreign and local writers in the field of Christian Counselling. This magazine will be distributed free to our members, caring agencies and educational institutions. We are also using the magazine as a promotion avenue for the coming Second National Christian Counselling Conference scheduled for 14 and 15 Sept 2012. Free copies will be given on the spot to those who sign up.

We hope that none of our members will miss this Second Conference and they will also encourage their friends to register for this important event.

Serving Christ together,

President
NACC Malaysia

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CHRISTIAN COUNSELLORS

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NACC Malaysia

Mission Statement

The following Mission Statement has been adopted by the NACC Board to give direction to what we do as an association. As the statement will be updated from time to time, we welcome your feedback for our future consideration when revision is made.

Vision:

Our vision is to integrate Bible-based counselling as part of the Christian lifestyle in Malaysia, serving and honouring God, the church and the wider community in our nation and beyond.

Mission:

Our mission is to promote and equip the body of Christ in Malaysia with Christian counselling knowledge and skills through networking, events, seminars, conferences and publications.

NACC will specifically achieve this by:

1. Promoting the development and advancement of Christian counselling as a publicly-recognised discipline in Malaysia
2. Equipping lay Christian counsellors in churches
3. Promoting high standards in the theory and practice of Christian counselling in Malaysia through the NACC Code of Ethics
4. Encouraging NACC members to research and write in areas unique to Christian counselling
5. Fostering co-operation and unity through sharing of information and experience among Christians of different biblical counselling approaches and specialties
6. Promoting and initiating care and counsel as mission for Christ

Core Values:

1. Integrating biblical theology and principles with appropriate counselling theory and practice
2. Promoting personal and professional excellence, integrity and accountability
3. Leading, empowering, networking and partnering
4. Being a distinctive Christian presence and voice in the field of counselling in Malaysia and beyond

Amendments to the NACC Constitution

The following amendments were adopted by the AGM on 31 March 2012. Please refer to our website for the full version of the NACC constitution.

5. Membership

5A Ordinary Members

- (1) Ordinary membership shall be opened to all Christian Counsellors in Malaysia who are above the age of 21 and who are Malaysian citizens. Counsellors are those who have training from recognised institutions.
- (2) - (4) No changes
- (5) Each ordinary member shall be entitled to one vote at the General Meeting.

5B Associate Members

- (1) Associate membership shall be opened to anyone who shares the objectives of the organisation.
- (2) Associate members do not need to have any counselling qualifications
- (3) Associate members however can be elevated to Ordinary Members if they collect the relevant qualifications from the training offered by the organisation.
- (4) Non-Malaysians are allowed to be associate members of the organisation
- (5) Except for the right of voting, associate members shall have full participation to any activities of the society.

8. General Meeting

- (3) A biennial general meeting of the Society shall be held biennially (once every two years) but not later than April on a date and a time and place to be decided by the Committee.

NACC Second National Counselling Conference 2012

The above conference is scheduled for 14 and 15 September 2012 (Friday and Saturday). It will be held at Grace Assembly (Old Premises) at Petaling Jaya with abundant free parking spaces for all participants.

Our key speaker is Rev Dr Tan Siang Yang, Professor of Psychology at Fuller Theological Seminary. He will be speaking on Lay Counselling in Churches, The Holy Spirit in Christian Counselling and Cognitive Behavioural Therapy – A Christian Perspective.



Rev Dr Tan Siang Yang

The other speakers include Dr Jeff Jernigan, Dr Evelyn Biles, Dr Jerry Vuncannon, Dr Johnben Loy and Dr Ng Wai Sheng.

Ten contact Hours will be offered for membership. Kindly block your diary for these important dates.

NACC Bimonthly Saturday Morning Workshops

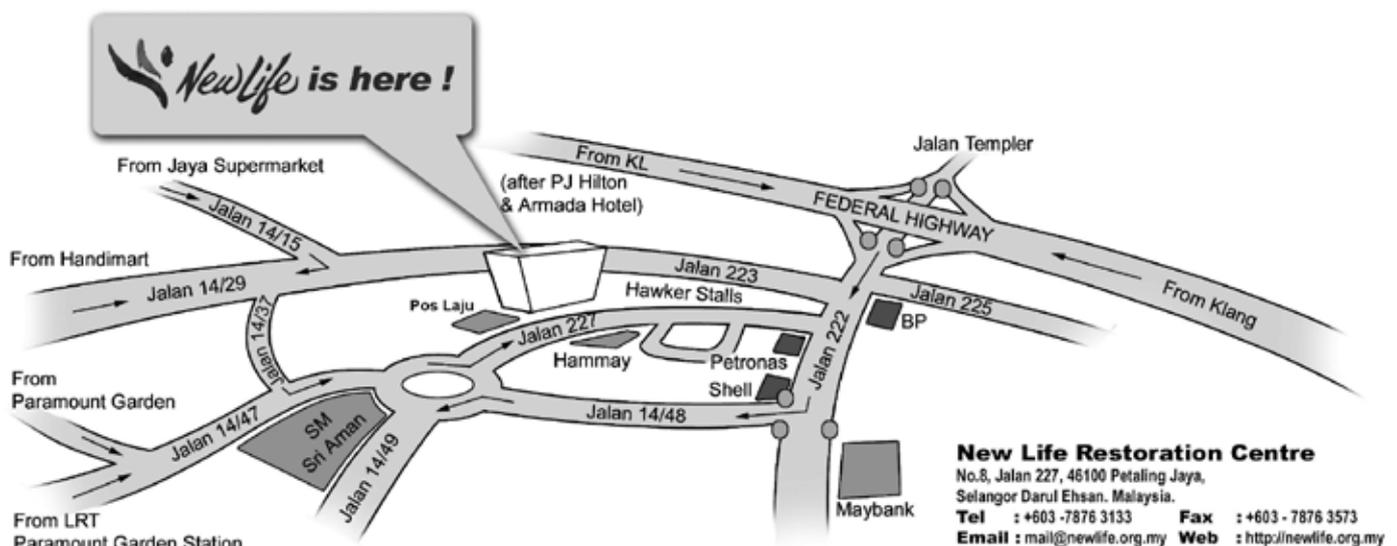
Date	Topic	Speaker	Registration Status
26 May	Smart Parenting: Using Appropriate Parenting Styles for Various Stages of the Children's Development	Patrick and Germaine Cheng	Open for Registration
7 July	Crisis Intervention: A Lay Counselling Model to Mitigate Pain	Dr Ben Lim	Open for Registration

Fees : RM25 for members

RM50 for non-members

Venue : New Life Restoration Centre, 8 Jalan 51A/227, Petaling Jaya

Award : Two Contact Hours for each Workshop



To register, sign up in:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/viewform?formkey=dEZRRjk3TFo0ZnRoSTZCQzBwTkVMZUE6MQ>

NACC Membership



For all who have applied and paid for your NACC memberships before the end of 2011, the NACC Board has decided that for the purpose of aligning your annual subscriptions to match our society's financial year ending 31 December, your annual subscription commenced only on 1 January 2012 to cover the entire year.

Following the changes to the category of membership as adopted by the AGM on 31 March 2012, membership applicants will be classified as Ordinary and Associate members. All membership applicants will be notified of their classification shortly.

Office Staff: Administrative Executive

NACC has employed an Administrative Executive effective 2 May 2012. Her name is Sunitha Robert. Sunitha will be under the direct supervision of Ivy Soo. Ivy joined the NACC as Office Supervisor in a volunteer capacity. Sunitha's email is office@nacc-malaysia.org.

Meanwhile, we need volunteers to help us in our Second Counselling Conference. For those who signed up during the First Counselling Conference indicating their willingness to help us, and all other who wish to do so, kindly confirm your involvement by email to Enquiries@nacc-malaysia.org.

Office Space Required for NACC



NACC Malaysia is presently operating out of the office of NECF Malaysia. We wish to set up our own office which can accommodate our administration section, a resource centre and a training room which can accommodate 50 persons.

Kindly pray for God's providence that we will secure a suitable premise at a cheap rental.

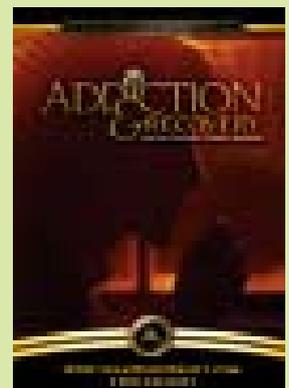
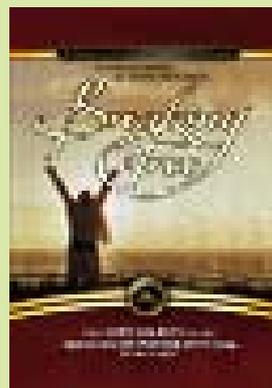
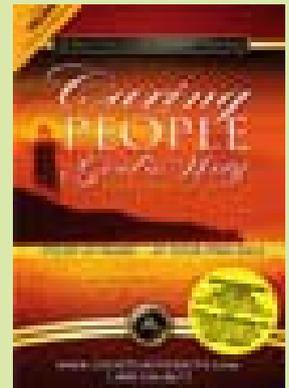
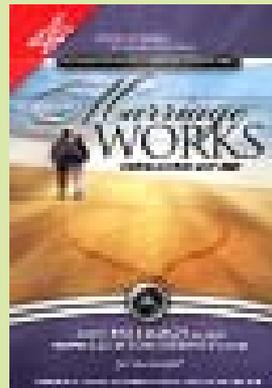
Fund-Raising



NACC needs to raise a total of RM200,000 for our office renovations, purchase of office equipment and staff-office overheads in the current year.

If you feel led to donate, kindly send your crossed cheque in favour of "National Asso of Christian Counsellors" to NACC Malaysia, c/o 32, Jalan SS2/103, 47300 Petaling Jaya, Selangor.

Teaching Resources



The American Association of Christian Counsellors has committed to donate NACC Malaysia teaching resources to benefit our members. So far, they have delivered to us four 30-hour training DVDs and notes on the following titles: Marriage Works, Caring for People God's Way, Breaking Free and Addiction Recovery.

Once NACC Malaysia has our own office and resource centre, we will make these materials available to our members.